Amendments To The Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

What is claimed is:

1. (Original) A process for preparing a salt of (+)-(2S, 3S)-2-(3-chlorophenyl)-3,5,5-trimethyl-2-morpholinol that comprises:

   mixing i) a sample comprising (-)-(2R, 3R)-2-(3-chlorophenyl)-3,5,5-trimethyl-2-morpholinol ((2R, 3R) enantiomer), ii) at least one solvent having a boiling point of at least 50°C and iii) 1.1 equivalent or higher of L-DTTA in any order, heating the mixture to at least 50°C for at least 1 hour to form crystals comprising an L-DTTA salt of (+)-(2S, 3S)-2-(3-chlorophenyl)-3,5,5-trimethyl-2-morpholinol ((2S, 3S) enantiomer), and isolating the crystals, wherein the yield of the L-DTTA salt of the (2S, 3S) enantiomer is greater than 50% based on said sample.

2. (Original) The process according to claim 1, wherein the solvent preferably dissolves the L-DTTA salt of the (2R, 3R) enantiomer over the L-DTTA salt of the (2S, 3S) enantiomer.

3. (Currently Amended) The process according to claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~, wherein the solvent is at least one selected from alkyl acetate, dialkyl ketone, and nitrile.

4. (Original) The process according to claim 3 wherein the solvent is ethyl acetate.

5. (Currently Amended) The process according to claim ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, wherein the amount of L-DTTA is 1.2-2.0 equivalents.

6. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein the mixture of the sample comprising the (2R, 3R) enantiomer, solvent and L-DTTA is heated to reflux.

7. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, wherein the mixture is heated for at least 5 hours.

8. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, wherein the crystals are essentially enantiomerically pure with respect to the (2S, 3S) enantiomer.

9. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~ claim 1, which is a continuous process.

10. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1, wherein the sample comprising the (2R, 3R) enantiomer is a racemic mixture of the (2R, 3R) enantiomer and the (2S, 3S) enantiomer.

11. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1, wherein the sample comprising the (2R, 3R) enantiomer is a non-racemic mixture of the (2R, 3R) enantiomer and the (2S, 3S) enantiomer.

12. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1, wherein said sample comprising the (2R, 3R) enantiomer contains at least 50 wt% of the (2R, 3R) enantiomer based on the weight of said sample.

13. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1, wherein the sample comprising the (2R, 3R) enantiomer is essentially enantiomerically pure (2R, 3R) enantiomer.

14. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 13~~ claim 1, wherein said sample comprising the (2R, 3R) enantiomer is formed in a step comprising reacting 2-bromo-3'-chloropropiophenone with 2-amino-2-methylpropanol.

15. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 14~~ claim 1, further comprising a step of converting the L-DTTA salt of the (2S, 3S) enantiomer to another salt which is pharmaceutically acceptable.

16. (Original) The process according to claim 15, wherein the other salt is a hydrochloride salt.